[30th October 1958

MR. SPEAKER : The next three questions, viz., Question Nos. 725, 726 and 727 relate to Transport and so they may be taken up together.

Transport Department Employees

* 725 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM (on behalf of Sri T. S. Ramaswami Pillai) : Will the Hon. Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(*a*) the steps taken by the Government in the matter of the integration of services of the Transport Department;

(*b*) the number of pensionable employees and the number of non-pensionable employes in the Department at present; and

(*c*) whether bonus is being paid to the non-pensionable employees and if so, at what rate?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : (*a*) Final proposals are awaited from the Honorary Director, Madras State Transport.

(*b*) The particulars are as follows :—

	Pensionable.	Non-pensionable.
Madras Branch	601	3,276
Kanyakumari Branch ..	389	127

(*c*) No, Sir.

* 726 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM (on behalf of Sri T. S. Ramaswamy Pillai) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number and instances of promotions overlooking the seniority in service in the Transport Department given during each of the last three years; and

(*b*) the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : (*a*) The particulars are as follows :—

	Madras Branch.	Kanyakumari Branch.
1956	15	..
1957	45	1
1958	1	..

(*b*) Promotions overlooking seniority were based on merit and ability.